

HA-1818  
1924  
Bel Air  
Private

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William Magness House  
Bel Air, Harford Co.

FRAMEWORK FOR IDENTIFYING COMPREHENSIVE PLAN DATA

HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization:

3. Piedmont

Chronological/Developmental Period:

  x   11. Industrial/Urban Dominance 1870-1930

      12. Modern Period 1930 - present

Prehistoric/Historic Period Theme:

2. Architecture, Landscape Architecture, and Community  
Planning

Resource Type:

Category: Architecture

Historic Environment: Urban

Historic Function and Use: Private Residence

Known Design Source: unknown

**Maryland Historical Trust  
State Historic Sites Inventory Form**

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF  
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. 15-0011

Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

**1. Name** (indicate preferred name)

historic William Magness House

and/or common

**2. Location**

street & number 403 E. Broadway n/a not for publication

city, town Bel Air vicinity of congressional district 3rd

state MD county Harford

**3. Classification**

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
			<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

**4. Owner of Property** (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Mr. and Mrs. Ross Measley

street & number 403 E. Broadway telephone no.: unlisted

city, town Bel Air state and zip code MD. 21014

**5. Location of Legal Description**

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Harford County Courthouse liber 1325

street & number folio 835

city, town Bel Air state MD

**6. Representation in Existing** Historical Surveys

title

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

depository for survey records

city, town state

## 7. Description

Survey No. AA-1018

### Condition

☒ excellent  
☐ good  
☐ fair

☐ deteriorated  
☐ ruins  
☐ unexposed

### Check one

☐ unaltered  
☐ altered  
☐ unknown

### Check one

☒ original site

☐ moved

date of move

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Contributing resource count: one

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The interior was not accessible.

## 8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600–1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates 1924 Builder/Architect unknown

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D  
and/orApplicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ GLevel of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

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It is currently owned by Ross Measley, who bought it in 1986 for \$60,000 from Roland Childs, who worked for the telephone company.

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. AA-1616

Harford County Land Records.

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle name Bel AirQuadrangle scale 1:24,000

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Zone Easting NorthingC 

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### Verbal boundary description and justification

Parcel 616 in the Town of Bel Air, 50' (Broadway) x 180'.

### List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
state	code	county	code

## 11. Form Prepared By

name/title	Dr. Marilyn M. Larew		
organization	date	7-2-93	
street & number	RD 1 Box 219 New Park Rd.	telephone	717-993-3557
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403 E. Broadway  
Bel Air, MD 21014

owner: Ross Measley

1325/835            13 June 1986  
Helen M. Childs, widow  
to  
Ross Measley and Karen S.  
\$60,000  
lots 35, 36, and w. half of 37, block B, Ingleside  
Roland M. Childs d. 7 Apr 1973

355/416            18 Apr 1951  
Louis D. Hollander and Sadie of York, Pa.  
to  
Roland R. Childs and Helen M.

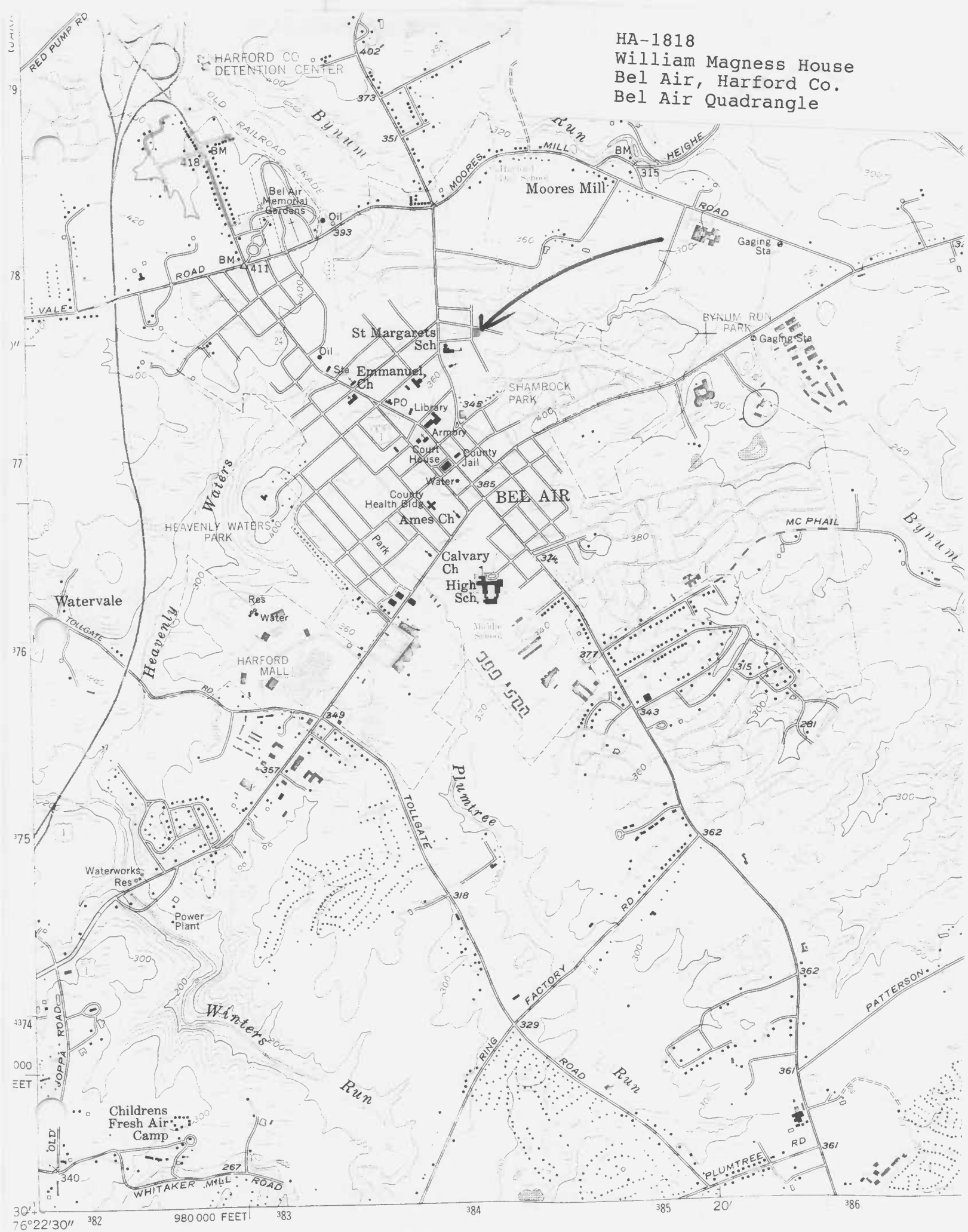
275/132            30 Sept 1942  
Mary Jane Kelly, unmarried  
to  
Louis D. Hollander

213/224            31 Aug 1929  
William L. Magness and Mary Theresa  
to  
Mary Jane Kelly

186/169            7 Jan 1924  
George O'Donnell and Mary E.  
to  
William L. Magness and Mary Theresa  
restrictions iterated

183/123            14 May 1923  
J. Edwin Webster and Dora R.  
to  
George O'Donnell and wife  
restrictions: no house fronting on Conowingo Rd.  
(Hickory) shall cost less than \$4,000 or less than  
\$3,00 on other lots in Ingleside. No sales to persons  
of African descent. Black servants may live there. No  
commercial use for 25 years.

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Bel Air Quadrangle







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